CLAIMS

 A metal heater comprising a metal plate and a heating element,

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said metal plate has a thickness of 50 mm or less and a surface flatness of 50 μm or less, and

an outer rim of a region where said heating element is formed is at a position within 25% of a diameter of said metal plate from an outer circumference of said metal plate.

2. A metal heater comprising a metal plate and a heating element,

wherein

the number of said metal plate is a plural number, said heating element is interposed between said metal plates, and

a thickness of a metal plate on a heating face side is the same as or smaller than that of a metal plate on a side opposite to said heating face side.

3. A metal heater comprising a metal plate and a heating element,

wherein

25 said metal plate comprises an aluminum-copper alloy.